

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. DURBIN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding rule XXII, at 1:45 p.m., tomorrow, Thursday, January 28, the Senate vote on cloture on Executive Calendar No. 4, Alejandro Mayorkas; that if cloture is invoked, the vote on confirmation be at 5 p.m., Monday, February 1.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. DURBIN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session and be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Mr. CRUZ. Madam President, the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 became public law on January 1, 2021, and included reforms to the U.S. Agency for Global Media outlined in section 1299Q. The FY21 consolidated appropriations act became public law on December 27, 2020, and included language that would have delayed those reforms had they already been in law, but they were not. Reserving any concerns about the lawfulness of insulating Senate-confirmed officers from removal, I believe it is Congress's intent that these two provisions should not be understood concurrently and that the reforms outlined in section 1299Q shall take effect on the date of enactment of the fiscal year 2021 NDAA.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mr. WICKER for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

*Peter Paul Montgomery Buttigieg, of Indiana, to be Secretary of Transportation.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 56. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants for training and support services for families and caregivers of people living with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CASEY, Ms. ERNST, Ms. ROSEN, Ms. SMITH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. REED, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO):

S. 57. A bill to increase the ability of nursing facilities to access to telehealth services and obtain technologies to allow virtual visits during the public health emergency relating to an outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 58. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf off the coast of California, Oregon, and Washington; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. TILLIS (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. ERNST, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. ROUNDS, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. LEE, Mr. DAINES, Mr. HAWLEY, and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 59. A bill to provide a civil remedy for individuals harmed by sanctuary jurisdiction policies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TILLIS (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. ERNST, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. MORAN, Mr. HAWLEY, and Mr. DAINES):

S. 60. A bill to provide for the effective use of immigration detainers to enhance public safety; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. BARASSO, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. DAINES, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LANKFORD, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROMNEY, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SASSE, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. YOUNG, and Mr. LEE):

S. 61. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HAWLEY (for himself and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 62. A bill to implement recommendations related to the safety of amphibious passenger vessels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Ms. HIRONO):

S. 63. A bill to establish an Office of Emerging Markets within the Small Business Administration that will strengthen the development of small business concerns in emerging markets, including those owned by women, minorities, veterans, and those located in rural areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. HIRONO):

S. 64. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to spur entrepreneurial ecosystems in underserved communities; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. RISCH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. COTTON, Ms. WARREN, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. ROMNEY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DAINES, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. LANKFORD, Ms. SMITH, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. SASSE, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. COONS, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 65. A bill to ensure that goods made with forced labor in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region of the People's Republic of China do not enter the United States market, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 66. A bill to require the Inter-Agency Task Force on Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia to develop a plan for reducing, mitigating, and controlling harmful algal blooms and hypoxia in South Florida, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. REED, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 67. A bill to support efforts by international financial institutions to provide a robust global response to the COVID-19 pandemic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. ERNST, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. SASSE, Mr. LEE, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 68. A bill to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that major rules of the executive branch shall have no force or effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted into law; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. DAINES, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. WICKER, and Ms. LUMMIS):

S. 69. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to require annual lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico region of the outer Continental Shelf, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HASSAN (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 70. A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, to authorize cybersecurity operations and missions to protect critical infrastructure by members of the National Guard in connection with training or other duty; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. ERNST, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. COTTON, Mr. LEE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 71. A bill to expand the use of E-Verify to hold employers accountable, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. REED, Mr. MARKEY,